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Via ECFS  
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

Im writing in support of keeping broadband competitive and encouraging free market competition. When providers compete for consumers, everyone wins - consumers get better service at fair prices, and broadband businesses can create jobs while providing options that keep the market healthy. I used to live in a part of the city where my only real option for internet service was a large company that charged huge fees due to an effective monopoly on most neighborhoods. I now live in a different area serviced by a few competitive providers, and I have been able to get faster internet for a more reasonable price, with MUCH better service. That is a boon to me personally and professionally, and it is entirely enabled by the fact that broadband upstarts and smaller businesses are able to compete for consumers on price, quality and customer service. The internet is core to our economic engine, so lets make sure that broadband providers have an incentive to offer the best service at th best price. The only way to reliably make that happen is through competitive providers.

Thank you.

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